

**PARTNERSHIP COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MINUTES 12 JULY 2001**

**1. Attendees:**

Emery Fountain  
David Keating  
Butch Bond  
Terryll Peters

LeRoy Scott  
Mike Boyd  
Clifton Barger

Tracy Ishham  
Ed Smith  
Robert Hicks

**Guest:**  
Bill Carter  
Cameron Weber  
**Reporter:**  
Donna Kendall

**2. Meeting Called to Order:** 12 July 2001, 1015hrs. at CSMS, Norman, Oklahoma

**3. Co-Chairman:** LTC Emery Fountain

**4. Old Business:**

- a. LTC Fountain reported that a pre-employment physical procedure has satisfactorily been put in place. JAG's response concerning the required physicals was received during the meeting and copies of that response was given to all members. No further action is required.
- b. LTC Fountain reported that AASF Tulsa is interested in the partnership process. Discussion was held regarding the inclusion of Tulsa employees' issues on the agenda and the possibility of filling vacant positions on the council with Tulsa individuals. **(Further Action Required:** Emery Fountain and Terryll Peters to schedule time to speak with Tulsa work force).
- c. Terryll Peters reported he has contacted SFC Vic Roman and has been informed that there is available space on the OMD Website to allow access by all individuals through the RCAS system.
- d. Terryll Peters has samples of the page and requested input from the members regarding not only the esthetic properties but also the information the link will provide. **(Further Action Required:** Members to send input whether positive or negative regarding the website to Terryll Peters)
- e. Pete Barger reported on the issue regarding CH-47 high work platform. The platforms originally were coming from a vendor in Washington state from an overseas manufacturer. The SAO has located a firm in Kansas that is designing the platforms per specifications and will be able to build the platforms within the United States. The recent PBAC meeting discussed closing accounts and therefore making the outlook for the purchase of the Kansas platforms very optimistic. **(Further Action:** Pete Barger will report any further developments in this matter)
- f. Completion of SF78's. Discussion as to fail safes in place to assure compliance. Motion made that this issue drop from the minutes as the system in place is working. Motion carried.
- g. Technician safety boots. The problems are 1) CTA-50 allows replacement boot every two years; 2) the Bates Safety Boot does not last for many surface mechanic positions; 3) finding a boot that is comfortable, meets the needs of the individual, and is durable. As to problem #1, PFO follows CTA-50 criteria; however on new boot order a memo should be added explaining the full-time technician status and send those orders to Col Stice (or his replacement) and the orders should be filled. For the remaining problems, COL Weber has contacted a commercial boot vendor that carries the KNAPP boot. This boot is used by Tinker and the Air Guard. The vendor comes to the site and fits each individual. Although Matterhorn boots are rated best, the cost is a definite factor. Those who were fitted for the KNAPP boot state the boot is too heavy and after describing the height of the boot there exists the possibility that the wrong boots were delivered. **(Further Action Required:** COL Weber is working on boot alternatives)

- h. Butch Bond reported that the issue of protective coveralls is tabled until COL Stice's replacement is hired. At that time the process of requesting protective coverall will begin anew. (**Further Action Required:** Butch Bond )
- i. David Keating reported that he has scheduled with Brock CPR training for July 25, 2001. He has given all necessary information to Joe Volpe who has not responded. This matter is completed.
- j. COL Weber reported that NGB is looking at the liability issue as the automatic defibrillator is a piece of medical equipment which must have trained personnel operating. NGB will address this issue at the end of August. The council will await NGB guidance.
- k. Emery Fountain discussed the setting of the remainder of 2002 Partnership Council meetings at the 11 Oct 2001 meeting. (Further Action Required: All Members to bring calendars to next meeting)
- l. Emery Fountain addressed the transition period of Partnership participants. Ed Smith and Keith Owens appointments have expired and those positions need to be filled. Emery Fountain recommended filling the management position with CPT Bill Gann or MAJ John Greenhaw. Robert Hicks brought the issue that management of AASF #2 need not be represented if labor of AASF#2 is not represented. It is agreed that the appointment of Gann or Greenhaw is contingent upon AASF#2 labor being represented. Recommendations for the surface maintenance position are Ms. Townsend or Mr. Milam. The new appointees will serve for a period of eighteen (18) months.
- m. Emery Fountain moved to retain David Keating as a member of the council for AASF #1 to serve until 3 Oct 2002. None opposed. Motion passes.
- n. Butch Bond requested retention as member of the council to serve until 3 Oct 2002. None opposed. Motion passes.

5. **New Business**

Terryll Peters suggested that the council recommend to HRO that TPR 100 be corrected. David Keating discussed problems he has encountered with TPR 100. Two problems defined were those pertaining to Environmental Differential and Leave Donation Policy. Bill Carter stated that until a problem is brought to their attention it cannot be remedied. Mr. Carter requests volunteers to help proof read to ensure that errors are located. (**Further Action Required:** Bill Carter)

Mr. Carter brought to the attention of council the Travel Charge Card Bulletin for USPFO Number 01-05. Discussion was had regarding that the cards are not invalidated merely inactivated if periods of extended nonuse and that the ability to garnish has been added. Those in attendance acknowledged receipt of the bulletin.

Emery Fountain brought for discussion contract negotiations. The 1989 Contract is out dated. Mr. Carter, Emery Fountain and Terryll Peters have discussed the role the partnership council is to take in the negotiations. It is agreed that two (2) teams must be developed and ground rules established. Discussion was had regarding the primary participants of the contract negotiation process being the individuals participating in the Partnership Council. After further discussion, it was agreed that the two teams will consist of five members with one alternate each. Management's team will consist of 1-2 individuals from Aviation appointed by the SAO, COL Self and 3-4 individuals from CSMS appointed by COL Coleman. The Management Team will be established NLT 24 Jul 01. Terryll Peters voiced his concern that there exists a sense of urgency not to delay this matter.

6. **Next Meeting:** The next scheduled Partnership Council Meeting is **11 Oct 2001** beginning at **1000hrs** at **CSMS, Norman, OK**. Notice will be given should a meeting be necessary prior to that date.

7. **Adjournment:** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.